

WESTERN SPIES TO WATCH POLICE

Disclosed in Court that Private Detectives from Indianapolis Have Been Brought Here to Get Evidence of Gambling.

USED IN RECENT RAIDS.

Many Are Employed at Other Tasks Ostensibly, but Merely as a Blind to the Real Purpose of Their Presence Here.

A sensation was caused in police circles to-day when it was learned that it was brought out before Magistrate Deuel in the Court Street Court that Commissioner Greene had engaged several scores of Western detectives for the purpose not only of getting evidence against the gambling-houses, as was done in the case of Lou Betts's place, on West Thirty-fourth street, and Mike Meagher's place, on West Thirty-fifth street, but to spy on the police themselves of all ranks and degrees.

The seven prisoners taken in Commissioner Greene's raids were up before Magistrate Deuel for examination, and the four Western "gun-shots" men were put on the stand and told how easily they had got into the two places, and how openly and boldly and daringly the gambling was carried on. These agents from the plains are Frederick and Arthur Adams, Frank McCabe and Frank Donnelly.

Frederick Adams is head of the Frederick Adams Detective Agency in Indianapolis. He managed to wiggle into Mike Meagher's place, and upon his evidence the raids were made. After he had told of how he played the wheel and took a turn at faro he was asked by Lawyer Lowenstein:

"It is not true that your detective agency has a contract with Commissioner Greene to supply him with a large number of Western detectives for the purpose of conducting a systematic espionage upon the police of this city, and it is not true that there is a large number of them in this city at the present time?"

Before the witness could reply Assistant District Attorney Lord interposed a flood of objections, but did not succeed in preventing Adams from practically admitting that detectives from out of the Middle States were wanted into the town like bees. It was brought out that many of them have secured divers employment through the Commissioner by which they can disguise their actual vocation.

Some of these detectives are now living at the Waldorf, the Herald Square, the Grand Union, the Holland House, and a dozen other hostels. Some of them have been employed in these hotels as special house detectives in the day time. At night they discharge the duties for which they were brought here.

According to what was learned at the hearing to-day, these detectives will keep careful tabs on the police in all sections of the town, from the first inspector down to the probationary cop. According to the testimony of Frank McCabe the main purpose of the spy work with money. Magistrate Deuel would not let him tell where they got it. He left McCabe that, however, that if one night he had lost \$400 in real money in the Thirty-fourth street house. Questioned further as to how he got it, McCabe said that on a later night he had won \$500. When the raid prisoners heard this they grew very chagrined.

For Magistrate Deuel had heard all the testimony of the Western spies, postponed the examination until Friday. He held Mike Meagher, whose real name is said to be Matt O'Leary, in \$500 bail, and the six other prisoners taken in the Thirty-fourth street house in \$100 bail each.

VAINLY SEEKS MISSING GIRL.

B. F. Sloat's Fourteen-Year-Old Daughter Ruth Left Her Home Saturday and Has Not Been Heard from Since.

BRIGHT AND PRETTY CHILD.

The police of New York and all neighboring cities have been notified to look for fourteen-year-old Ruth Sloat, who disappeared from her home, at No. 64 Kingsbridge avenue, Macleay Hill, last Saturday evening. No trace has been found of her since she was seen in the Mount Haven station of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad on the night after she left home.

Little Miss Sloat was one of the brightest pupils in the Morris Heights High School, where she has taken many prizes for essays or a wide range of subjects. She has also had many romantic ideas, one of which was to walk to St. John, N. B., where she had relatives. As she only had \$2 when she left home, however, it is doubtful if she ever reaches the Canadian border.

Mr. B. F. Sloat, the father of the missing girl, who is in business at No. 64 Kingsbridge avenue, said to-day that he could not understand how his daughter was able to remain concealed for such a length of time.

"From what my wife, who is her step-mother, says, she was in good spirits all day Saturday. It had been one of her wishes all to board a ship and go to Europe, and she had been thinking of it for some time. She was in a short green dress and black skirt, and carried a little black bag, which contained her toilet articles, and a letter to her mother. She was very bright and intelligent, and had been very popular with her friends, but they had never seen her since Saturday evening."

HILL IS TOSsing A PENNY FOR THE NOMINATION; HIS PENNY HAS A HEAD ON EACH SIDE.

(From an interview with William Jennings Bryan.)



BABY FELL DOWN THE AIR-SHAFT.

Little Brother Raised Window and the Child, Attempting to Look Down and See the Mysteries, Lost Her Balance.

HER SKULL FRACTURED.

When Mrs. Sarah Engelman returned to her flat on the second floor of the building at No. 325 East Twelfth street to-day after a short absence she missed her two-year-old daughter Eva. She had left the child playing on a bed with her brother Helma, three years old.

"Where is Eva?" asked Mrs. Engelman. "She went out the window," replied the mother-of-fact Helma.

Mrs. Engelman ran to an open window in the bedroom and at the bottom of the shaft saw the crushed and bleeding form of her little girl. She fairly flew down the steps, picked up little Eva and carried her into the apartments of a tenant on the ground floor.

A policeman from the East Fifth street station was passing the house, and was notified of the accident by a little Eva was taken away.

Her skull is fractured and she has internal injuries. There is little chance for her recovery. Close questioning of little Helma brought out the fact that he had raised the window, the sill of which was even with the surface of the bed. Eva tried to look down the airshaft and tumbled out. Then Helma got off the bed, went out in the kitchen and engaged in play with two other brothers, saying nothing of the accident to Eva until asked about her by his mother.

SALVATIONISTS SEEK TWO RUNAWAY GIRLS

Pair of Erring Ones Slip Away from the Rescue Home in a Hurry, Forgetting Their Hats.

The police were asked to-day to find and hold for the Salvation Army Jennie Eldridge, seventeen years old, and Agnes Woods, sixteen years old, who ran away from the Army's Rescue Home, at No. 315 East Fifteenth street. Adjutant Jennie Webb said the girls were first missed at roll call, when only their hats remained. They had slept in the house part of the night and then apparently hurried away, going so noiselessly that they disturbed no one and so hurriedly that they left their hats behind them.

Why they should so suddenly disappear the adjutant was unable to explain. She said no restraint was placed on the inmates of the home, that they became occupants willingly, in an effort to reform, and that they could leave at any time without interference. She said she had asked the police to find and detain the girls until she or some one else from the home could see and talk to them.

Jennie Eldridge, who came to the home from Yonkers five months ago, is described as having a light complexion, brown eyes and hair. She wore a brown waist, dark skirt and black lace shoes. Agnes Woods, who went to the home from Jamestown, N. Y., two months ago, is light and wears a dark blue bicycle suit. Both girls had been regularly employed and contributed considerably toward their own support.

CLEVELAND WON'T SAY HE'S OUT OF IT

And He Won't Say Whether He Will Prevent Effort to Nominate Him, but He Is Still True to Tariff Reform and Old-Fashioned Democracy.

As ex-President Grover Cleveland was leaving the house of Mr. Oscar Straus, No. 5 West Seventy-sixth street, to-day, he was asked if he would accept the Presidential nomination next year should it be tendered him.

"That is just what I won't say," replied Mr. Cleveland.

"Should the convention appear to be decided upon your nomination would you take any steps to prevent it?" he was asked.

"I cannot discuss that question, either," he answered. "All I can say is that my visit to New York at this time has no political significance whatever. It is just the same as when I came to New York to attend the Abram S. Hewitt memorial services."

"Are you interested in the political situation?" he was asked.

"As a Democrat I am very much interested in Democratic prospects," was the answer.

In addition to this Mr. Straus made a statement which, he said, embodied Mr. Cleveland's position.

"Mr. Cleveland," said Mr. Straus, "is of the opinion that the trust question cannot be eliminated from the next Presidential canvass, and he has given it as his opinion that he is unable to understand how that question can be entirely divorced from the tariff issue, to say nothing of the absolute necessity of a good old-fashioned insistence upon tariff reform for its own sake and what it would do for the people of the country."

PITNEY'S OPINION OF LABOR UNIONS.

The Talkative Vice-Chancellor Thinks that Violence Is One of Their Weapons.

Vice-Chancellor Henry C. Pitney in Justice Court told the lawyers what he thought of labor unions. There was a hearing before the Vice-Chancellor in the case of John Martin, a baker of Dover, N. J., against the Retail Clerks' International Protective Association. Said the Vice-Chancellor:

"Wherever you see a labor union you expect boycotts and strikes. These unions have two methods of enforcing their demands—the boycott and violence. Do you suppose that from the next Presidential election if it had not been for the influence of a labor union? Nobody believed Mr. Mitchell out in Pennsylvania when he said that the miners' organization was not responsible for the violence there."

When asked to close his store at 6 P. M. by the Clerks' Association, Martin refused and a boycott was ordered. Martin applied for an injunction restraining the association from interfering with his business.

Lawyer Joseph Beecher, representing the association, said Martin's business had not been interfered with or any law violated. Vice-Chancellor Pitney had previously granted the restraining order. Yesterday the hearing was on a motion to dismiss it. Vice-Chancellor Pitney refused the motion.

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DOZEN FAMILIES FLED FROM FIRE

In Night Clothes They Made Their Escape, While Others Were Helped Half Suffocated to the Street.

MAY BE INCENDIARY'S WORK.

About a dozen Jersey City families were aroused at an early hour this morning by cries of "Fire!" and had to make their escape in night clothes to the street. Some of them, half suffocated by smoke, were helped out by the police and firemen.

The fire started in the apartments of John Rider on the top floor of a three-story apartment-house at No. 24 Fourth street.

Through some unknown cause, possibly incendiary, paper under a sink in Rider's kitchen took fire. The flames spread quickly and soon the lath work between the walls took fire. Policeman Cox saw smoke coming from a side window of Rider's apartments. He sounded the fire alarm and rushed up into the house to arouse the occupants. He broke in the door leading into Mr. Rider's kitchen. The room was enveloped in smoke and the corner where the sink is built was a mass of fire.

The noise of breaking open the door aroused Mr. Rider and his family and the people living on the same floor opposite. With the assistance of Policeman Cox and Fire Captain Costigan, of No. 5 Engine, the first one on the scene, Mr. Rider helped his folks and his neighbors across the hall through the blinding smoke to the street.

Helped Neighbors Out. The noise in the house had by this time aroused people living on the two floors underneath, and they hustled out into the street in their night-clothes. Six families living in the apartment-house at No. 76 Erie street, around the corner, were awakened and ran from fright down to the street, not waiting to put on street clothes.

Neighbors who heard the fire engines puffing and steaming got out of bed, hastily dressed and gave shelter to those whose homes were enveloped in smoke. The flames creeping in between the walls of the houses made it difficult for the firemen to pour on water. They had to get on the roof of the Fourth street house, cut it open and send streams of water down between the walls.

Firemen's Lucky Escape. In this way they put the fire out. Every one of the apartments in the Fourth street house was destroyed by water and smoke, while only smoke got into the Erie street house. It was several hours before the firemen said that the fire was all out. The people living in the Erie street house were allowed to return to their apartments.

Those who resided at No. 24 Fourth street will be obliged to board with their neighbors for a few days. When the firemen arrived until they can buy something new.

The damage amounted to about \$6,000, covered by insurance. Several of the firemen had lucky escapes from suffocation. The police will investigate the origin of the fire. When the firemen were preparing to go home the team of horses attached to No. 4 Chemical Engine ran away and caused a lot of excitement.

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